

RENTON CITY COUNCIL
Regular Meeting

February 14, 2000
Monday, 7:30 p.m.

Council Chambers
Municipal Building

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Pro tem Randy Corman led the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag and called the meeting of the Renton City Council to order.

**ROLL CALL OF
COUNCILMEMBERS**

RANDY CORMAN, Council President; TIMOTHY SCHLITZER, Council President Pro tem; DON PERSSON; KATHY KEOLKER-WHEELER; DAN CLAWSON; TONI NELSON.

MOVED BY SCHLITZER, SECONDED BY KEOLKER-WHEELER, COUNCIL EXCUSE ABSENT COUNCILMAN KING PARKER. CARRIED.

**CITY STAFF IN
ATTENDANCE**

RANDY CORMAN, Mayor Pro tem; JAY COVINGTON, Chief Administrative Officer; DAVID DEAN, Assistant City Attorney; BRENDA FRITSVOLD, Deputy City Clerk; GREGG ZIMMERMAN, Planning/Building/Public Works Administrator; JIM SHEPHERD, Community Services Administrator; DENNIS CULP, Facilities Director; PAUL BAKER, Land Use Compliance Inspector; DEREK TODD, Finance Analyst; CHIEF A. LEE WHEELER, Fire Department; CHIEF GARRY ANDERSON, Police Department.

PRESS

Robert Teodosio, *Renton Reporter*

**APPROVAL OF
COUNCIL MINUTES**

MOVED BY SCHLITZER, SECONDED BY KEOLKER-WHEELER, COUNCIL APPROVE THE MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 7, 2000 AS PRESENTED. CARRIED.

**ADMINISTRATIVE
REPORT**

Chief Administrative Officer Jay Covington reviewed a written administrative report summarizing the City's recent progress towards goals and work programs adopted as part of its business plan for 2000 and beyond. Items noted included:

- * City staff met with Senator Patty Murray's legislative staff to discuss concerns related to the Olympic pipeline. Senator Murray is sponsoring a bill to improve the regulatory control of such facilities.
- * Human Services staff recently completed a massive mailing to market its Housing Repair Assistance Program.
- * The Police Department received a \$3,000 traffic safety grant from the Washington Association of Sheriffs and Police Chiefs, which will be used to purchase a laser radar.

CONSENT AGENDA

Items on the consent agenda are adopted by one motion which follows the listing.

Parks: Syntax Lease at Former Municipal Building, 200 Mill Ave S

Community Services Department recommended approval of an agreement with Syntax, Inc. to lease the third floor of the former municipal building at 200 Mill Ave. S. for five years. Refer to Finance Committee.

Plat: Woodcreek, Deed of Dedication to Connect NE 9th St to Mission Hills (FP-99-152)

Development Services Division recommended approval of a deed of dedication to connect NE 9th St. in the Woodcreek development to the same street in the Mission Hills development (FP-99-152). Council concur.

Development Services: Position Hires at Step D (Land Use Inspector; Engineering Spec)

Development Services Division requested authorization to fill the Land Use Compliance Inspector and the Engineering Specialist I positions at Step D of their respective salary ranges, retroactive to 2/01/00. Refer Finance Committee.

Solid Waste: 2000 Local Hazardous Waste Mgmt Program, Dept of Public Health	Solid Waste Utility recommended approval of an agreement accepting \$36,795 from the Seattle-King County Department of Public Health for Renton's 2000 Local Hazardous Waste Management Program. Refer to <u>Utilities Committee</u> .
Solid Waste: 2000 Business Recycling & Special Recycling Event, King County Contract	Solid Waste Utility recommended approval of an agreement accepting \$31,827 from King County for Renton's 2000 Business Recycling Program and Special Recycling Event. Refer to <u>Utilities Committee</u> .
Solid Waste: 2000-2001 Coordinated Prevent Grant, Wash State DOE	Solid Waste Utility recommended acceptance of \$53,962 in grant funding from the Washington State Department of Ecology for the 2000-2001 Coordinated Prevention Grant agreement (solid and hazardous waste reduction education programs). Refer to <u>Utilities Committee</u> .
I-405/NE 44th St Interchange Project, Phase I, Entranco Engineers	Transportation Systems Division recommended approval of a contract in the amount of \$112,000 with Entranco Engineers to conduct traffic analysis related to the I-405/NE 44 th St. Interchange project. Council concur. (See below for more information regarding this item.)
CAG: 96-136, Cedar River Pipelines/Frontage Road Storm Project, WSDOT (Amend #1)	Utility Systems Division recommended approval of Amendment No. 1 to CAG-96-136, agreement with WSDOT for the Cedar River Pipelines/Frontage Road Storm project, to revise the cost estimate to reflect the actual construction cost of \$54,577.53. Council concur. (See page 48 for resolution.)
	MOVED BY SCHLITZER, SECONDED BY CLAWSON, COUNCIL APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA AS PRESENTED.*
I-405/NE 44th St Interchange Project, Phase I, Entranco Engineers	<p>Councilmember Keolker-Wheeler inquired about item 6.g., the contract with Entranco Engineers for traffic analysis related to the I-405/NE 44th St. interchange project. She asked whether the State has officially agreed to share in the funding of this work, suggesting that the City should not move forward with this work in the absence of a commitment from the State to share in the cost.</p> <p>Planning/Building/Public Works Administrator Gregg Zimmerman replied that the Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT) has \$300,000 in discretionary funds for this year. Saying that Renton has received strong verbal assurances from WSDOT that some of these funds will be used for the Port Quendall work, he felt confident that this funding was forthcoming. Mr. Zimmerman added that the City has also received a letter of commitment from the developer to share in the cost of this work.</p> <p>Chief Administrative Officer Jay Covington added that this work must be begun immediately, since the project has a targeted completion date of early 2003.</p> <p>Mrs. Keolker-Wheeler noted that other funds which were previously thought to be available in the State budget are not available any longer, due in part to I-695. Mr. Covington said while this is true, the engineering work on this project must proceed at this time. Mr. Zimmerman added that Renton is negotiating with WSDOT on a letter of agreement regarding this funding, which he expected to have in hand in the next few weeks.</p> <p>Responding to Council President Corman, Mr. Zimmerman confirmed that the funds will be paid out on a monthly basis to the consultant, rather than in one lump sum. The consultant will bill Renton for its work, and the City will in turn bill the developer and WSDOT for their respective shares of the incurred costs.</p> <p>*MOTION CARRIED TO APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA AS PRESENTED.</p>

CORRESPONDENCE

Citizen Comment: Croppi –
SeaTac Flight Path Changes
(Proposed)

Correspondence was read from Mr. And Mrs. Rome Croppi, 2202 Smithers Ave. S., Renton, 98055, objecting to the proposed change in SeaTac flight paths which would subject Renton residents to more air traffic noise, and commending Council on its attention to, and action on, this issue. (See page 48 for resolution regarding this subject.)

OLD BUSINESS

Committee of the Whole
Airport: Demolition of the
Restaurant Building

Council President Pro tem Schlitzer presented a report recommending the demolition of the restaurant building at Renton Municipal Airport and the transfer of not more than \$100,000 from the Airport fund reserve to the Airport Capital Improvements account for the purpose of contracting the demolition of the restaurant building, to include restoration of the ground and limited landscaping. **MOVED BY SCHLITZER, SECONDED BY PERSSON, COUNCIL CONCUR IN THE COMMITTEE REPORT AS PRESENTED. CARRIED.**

Transportation Committee

Transportation: Houser Way
Temporary Closure (Pacific
Fiber Link Boring Machine)

Transportation Committee Chair Persson presented a report recommending concurrence with the recommendation to approve a request by Pacific Fiber Link to intermittent closure of Houser Way N. between N. 3rd St. and N. Brook St., for the purpose of locating a large boring machine. The street closure shall be for a time period not to exceed 45 days, and ending no later than April 15, 2000. The Committee further recommended that the resolution regarding this matter be presented for reading and adoption. **MOVED BY PERSSON, SECONDED BY SCHLITZER, COUNCIL CONCUR IN THE REPORT AS PRESENTED. CARRIED.** (See page 49 for resolution.)

Franchise: Level 3
Communications, LLC

Transportation Committee Chair Persson presented a report regarding the request from Level 3 Communications, LLC, a telecommunications provider and carrier, for a franchise agreement with the City of Renton. Conduit and cable will be installed underground using conventional trenching, horizontal boring and directional drilling methods. This is a proposed ten-year franchise agreement between the City of Renton and Level 3 Communications, LLC.

Level 3 Communications, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company, is a wholly owned subsidiary of PKS Information Services, Inc. PKS Information Services, Inc. is a wholly owned subsidiary of Level 3 Communications, LLC.

The Transportation/Aviation Committee recommended concurrence with the staff recommendation to approve the Level 3 Communications, LLC franchise agreement. City Code encourages telecommunications services such as this to promote competition and provide advance services on the widest possible basis to businesses, institutions, and residents of the City.

The Committee further recommended that the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to execute the franchise agreement **MOVED BY PERSSON, SECONDED BY CLAWSON, COUNCIL CONCUR IN THE REPORT AS PRESENTED. CARRIED.** (See page 49 for ordinance.)

Streets: Main Ave S Project
Status

Responding to Councilman Persson, Planning/Building/Public Works Administrator Gregg Zimmerman said while the City experienced numerous problems resulting in the delay of the Main Ave. S. project, according to the current schedule it will be completed in April.

Council President Corman asked whether, between now and April, it would be possible to have more than one lane of traffic in each direction during peak hours. Mr. Zimmerman agreed to look into whether this would be feasible.

Responding again to Mr. Persson, Mr. Zimmerman said the City is planning a ribbon-cutting ceremony for this project upon its completion.

Noting that Council has just approved another franchise agreement for a cable optics company, Councilmember Nelson hoped that cable installations will be better coordinated and thus less disruptive to City residents. Saying that the Main Ave. S. project specifically planned for future cable installations, Councilman Schlitzer said this street now has special underground tubing for cable which is accessible through manholes, so the ground-level street will be left undisturbed.

In response to Councilman Clawson, Mr. Zimmerman confirmed that the City is encouraging cable installations to be made underneath sidewalks rather than in the street. Mr. Zimmerman added that cable installers are required to research Renton's Six-Year Capital Improvements Plan in an effort to coordinate their work with planned City projects. The goal is to not allow disruption of pavement which is less than five years old.

Mr. Persson suggested that the City require any company which performs trenching work within a specified number of years of any street being paved to overlay the entire street.

Transportation: Lobbying
Efforts for State Funding of
Certain Projects

Councilmember Keolker-Wheeler reported on the Association of Washington Cities Legislative Conference in Olympia, saying that she, Councilman Schlitzer, Jay Covington and Doug Levy took advantage of the presence of elected officials to lobby Renton's 18 State legislators on funding for the Downtown Transit Center and for the next phase of the I-405/NE 44th St. Interchange project. Mrs. Keolker-Wheeler emphasized that Renton's representatives tried to emphasize the value of these projects and the positive effects they could have on revenues over the long-term.

Councilman Schlitzer added that all of Renton's State legislators support the Port Quendall project, and two of them agreed to write letters on funding for the Downtown Transit Center. He noted that these two projects are nothing new, but have been in the works for quite some time.

Finance Committee

Finance: Vouchers

Finance Committee Substitute Member Clawson presented a report recommending approval of Claims Vouchers 178917 – 179306 and two wire transfers totaling \$2,914,711.54. MOVED BY CLAWSON, SECONDED BY PERSSON, COUNCIL CONCUR IN THE COMMITTEE REPORT AS PRESENTED. CARRIED.

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

Resolution #3434

Regional Issues: SeaTac Air
Traffic Rerouting Proposal

A resolution was read opposing the proposal to reroute air traffic from Seattle-Tacoma International Airport over Renton. MOVED BY KEOLKER-WHEELER, SECONDED BY PERSSON, COUNCIL ADOPT THE RESOLUTION AS READ. CARRIED.

Resolution #3435

CAG: 96-136, Cedar River
Pipelines/Frontage Road Storm
Project, WSDOT (Amend #1)

A resolution was read authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to enter into Supplemental Agreement No. 1 to Agreement GCA 0602 with the Washington State Department of Transportation, to revise the cost estimate to reflect the actual construction cost for the Cedar River Pipelines/Frontage Road Storm project. MOVED BY CLAWSON, SECONDED BY SCHLITZER, COUNCIL ADOPT THE RESOLUTION AS READ. CARRIED.

Resolution #3436

Transportation: Houser Way
Temporary Closure (Pacific
Fiber Link Boring Machine)

A resolution was read authorizing the temporary closure of Houser Way North for boring underneath the roadway and Burlington Northern-Santa Fe railroad tracks. MOVED BY PERSSON, SECONDED BY CLAWSON, COUNCIL ADOPT THE RESOLUTION AS READ. CARRIED.

The following ordinances was presented for first reading and referred to the Council meeting of 2/21/00 for second and final reading:

Franchise: Level 3
Communications, LLC

An ordinance was read granting unto Level 3 LLC, a Delaware Limited Liability Company, its successors and assigns, the right, privilege, authority and franchise to install fiber optics cable underground together with appurtenances thereto, upon, over, under, along, across the streets, avenues and alleys of the City of Renton for the purpose of installing infrastructure to operate as a broadband digital communication provider and carrier utilizing switching and fiber optic facilities. MOVED BY PERSSON, SECONDED BY NELSON, COUNCIL REFER THE ORDINANCE FOR SECOND AND FINAL READING ON 2/21/00. CARRIED.

ADJOURNMENT

MOVED BY CLAWSON, SECONDED BY NELSON, COUNCIL ADJOURN. CARRIED. Time: 8:17 p.m.

BRENDA FRITSVOLD, Deputy City Clerk